

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; first recognized by the United Nations in 2000, International Migrants Day serves as a day for the global community to recognize the resilience and bravery of those who have migrated from one country to another and the challenges they face; and

WHEREAS; migration has allowed for the coexistence and cultural exchange of people from every corner of the planet and has facilitated the sharing of ideas, cultures, and traditions across borders; and

WHEREAS; the decision to leave one's home country can be daunting and, all too often, marks the beginning of a perilous, uncertain, and taxing journey; and

WHEREAS; in recent years, war, conflict, climate change, and insecurity have facilitated the forced movement of millions of international migrants, frequently funneling individuals from one turbulent environment into an equally turbulent path, too often marked by limited access to essential services, exploitation, and xenophobia; and

WHEREAS; all migrants have the right to safety and security throughout their travels and upon arrival at their intended destination and deserve to be treated with respect and dignity at every step of their journey; and

WHEREAS; recognizing the value and contributions that migrants bring to communities across Wisconsin, the state remains committed to welcoming migrants with excitement, acceptance, and receptiveness while helping them find new homes, communities, and opportunities; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin recognizes the rights of migrants everywhere and affirms its commitment to providing support to the state's migrant communities and to facilitating a safe and welcoming environment for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim December 18, 2023, as

INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and caused the
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in
the City of Madison this 3rd day
of November 2023.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Sarah Godlewski
SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State